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RESPONSE

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Communication (Form PTO 90C) dated April 1, 2009, and setting a one-month period for response.

In her Communication, the Examiner noted that the Amendment filed on December 12, 2008 did not include a statement that the new claims included in that Amendment also read on the previously elected species.

This will confirm that the new claims (that is, claims 13-25) read on the species elected in the response filed June 16, 2008, namely, *Plasmodium falciparum*.

Respectfully submitted,

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